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New House-Furnishing Ware Room.

THE subscriber respectfully informs his customers and the public generally, that he has opened a Ware Room on 9th street, near the avenue, where he is continually receiving FRESH SUPPLIES of goods in the House-keepers line; viz:

AMERICAN AND BRITISH CUTLERY, *Shovels and Tongs, Hollowware, Woodware, Brushes, Baskets, Britannia Ware, Teapots, Velocipedes, together with a large collection of USEFUL and FANCY articles, too numerous to mention.* Sale store at the old stand, Pennsylvania avenue, near 9th street. GEO. SAVAGE. feb 27-46

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JUST RECEIVED—

Super black and colored Cloths & Cassimeres
Do Merino and Marseilles Vestings
Do Jeans, Gambroons, and Drillings
Do Beroges, Lawns, and Gingham
Do Chintzes, Calicoes, and Muslins
Alpacas and Plaid Silks
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White Cambrics and Plaid Muslins
Shawls and Scarfs
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Together with almost every article usually kept in a Dry-Goods Store. Bargains, and no mistake.
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BUSINESS CARDS.

BENJAMIN HOMANS,
Auctioneer and Commission Merchant,
Between 10th and 11th Streets, fronting Pennsylvania Avenue.

Sales of Real Estate, Furniture, and Personal Property, attended to at any place within the city. march 9-46

DENNIS PUMPHREY'S Livery Stable, corner of 6th and C streets. Horses and Carriages to hire. Horses taken at livery, and kept in the best manner.

A. GLADMON,
House Carpenter and Joiner.
Shop corner of 9th and M streets, Washington. Where, at all times, Sash, Blinds, Doors, &c., can be had. All manner of work in his line will be executed at the shortest notice.

HOMOEOPATHY.—Dr. Jonas Green, (late of Philadelphia,) tenders his professional services to the citizens of Washington and its vicinity, as a practitioner of the Homoeopathic system of medicine. His residence is on C street, near 3d. dec 23-46

BRISCOE & CLARKE, Dealers in Cloths, Cassimeres, Vestings, &c., Pennsylvania avenue, a few doors west of Brown's Hotel.

ISAAC STODDARD.—Blacksmithing in general, on Four and a half, between E and F sts. Work done cheap.

WILLIAM P. SHEDD,
Old Centre Market, opposite J. Walker's.
KEEPS constantly for sale all kinds of fresh meats; meat well dressed, and at moderate prices. march 11-46

PRESLEY SIMPSON, Pennsylvania Avenue, North side, 2d door east of 11th street, keeps a general assortment of Family Groceries.

ANDREW J. JOYCE, Horse Shoeing and Smithing Establishment, successor to John Daley, corner of 14th and E streets, near Fuller's Hotel. Thankful for the patronage he has received from a liberal public, he solicits a continuance of the same.

H. GUNNELL.—Dealer in Lumber, Lime, Wood, &c. Corner of Canal and 6th streets, near Pennsylvania Avenue.

D. R. HAMILTON P. HOWARD, tenders his professional services to the citizens of Washington, D. C. He may be found at Dr. F. Howland's, N. E. corner of F and 11th sts. Dec. 2-

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W. M. NOELL, Venetian Blind maker, south side Pennsylvania avenue, between 9th and 10th streets. Blinds of all sizes and colors, furnished to order. Old blinds retrimmed and painted.

JONATHAN T. WALKER.—House carpenter and joiner on K street, shop corner K and 8th streets.

FRANCIS Y. NAYLOR,
Copper, Tin, Sheet-Iron and Stone Manufacturer. Roofing, Guttering, Spouting, &c. South side Pennsylvania avenue, near Third-street, Washington, City, D. C.

C. H. VAN PATTEN, M. D., Dentist,
PERFORMS all operations upon the Teeth, Gums and Mouth, with the greatest care and skill. Office near Brown's Hotel, and next door to Todd's Hat Store. feb 25-46

CHEAP FOR CASH!!

L. S. BECK & SON,
House-Furnishing Store, Pennsylvania Avenue, South side, between 9th and 10th streets, Washington.

We have on hand new and second-hand goods: such as Bedsteads, Beds, and Bedding; Tables, Chairs, Bureaus and Sideboards; China, Glass, and Crockeryware, Cutlery, Hollow-ware of every variety, Shovels and Tongs, Carpets, Brooms, Brushes, Willow and Woodenware; with a variety of articles too numerous to mention. apr 16

I. S. BALL,
Dealer in Tobacco, Snuff & Cigars, Pennsylvania Avenue, between Fuller's & Gallahorn's Hotel. april 22

I. S. BALL also repairs Watches and Jewelry. april 22-46

EARTHENWARE, CHINA AND GLASS,
T. PURSELL, Importer and Dealer in E. Ware, China and Glass, wholesale and retail, at his store, opposite Brown's Hotel, Pennsylvania avenue, Washington city, D. C.

CUPPING, LEECHING AND BLEEDING
A large supply of best Swedish Leeches, already on hand, to be applied or for sale, by **SAM'L. DEVAUGHN,** 9th street. Who also has ICE for sale whenever called for, as above. april 2-46

W. WHITNEY.—Boot and Shoe Dealer, opposite Brown's Hotel, Pennsylvania Avenue; has received his full stock of Boots and Shoes suitable for plantation use, he invites the attention of those who wish such articles, and promises them good bargains.

GEORGE COLLARD,
DEALER IN LUMBER, WOOD, COAL, LIME SAND, AND CEMENT,
Corner of 6th st. and Missouri Avenue. Nov. 4

D. CLAGETT & CO.,
DEALERS IN FANCY AND STAPLE DRY GOODS, CARPETINGS, OIL CLOTHS, CURTAIN STUFFS, &c.
Corner of 9th street & Penn. avenue, WASHINGTON, D. C.

FURNITURE.—New and second hand, daily received. For sale, on reasonable terms, by **B. HOMANS,** april 13. Between 10th and 11th streets.

J. E. W. THOMPSON,
CABINET MAKER & UNDERTAKER,
F between 13th and 14th sts., north side. * Hearses kept, and funerals attended to. Nov. 4-46

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Hardware! Hardware!! Hardware!!!

E. WHEELER, Penn. Avenue, near 7th street. HAS just opened an entire new and well selected assortment of Hardware, Cutlery and Fancy Goods, which he offers for sale at wholesale or retail, on as accommodating terms as they can be had in the district.

His stock consists in part of the following articles: Roger's & Son's and others' Table Cutlery in complete sets, Ivory, Buffalo, Buck, Bone, and Cocoa Dining, and Desert Knives and Forks, German Silver, and Britannia, Tea and Table Spoons, Penknives, Razors, Scissors, Nut Picks, and Crackers, Cooks', Butchers', Shoe and Carving Knives, Snuffers and Trays, Plated, Steel and Brass Audirons, Shovels and Tongs, Shovel and Tong Stands, and Fenders, Tea Trays and Waiters, in sets and separately, Bellmetal and Porcelain Preserving Kettles, Iron, Tin, Tea Kettles and Sauce Pans, Long and Short Handle Frying Pans, and Stove Pans, Ovens and Lids, Pots, Skillets, Griddles and extra Lids, Iron Furnaces, Potatoes Steamers, Mortars and Pestles, Warble Irons, Sad Irons, Skimmers, Laddles and Forks, Coffee Mills, Sifters, Bread Toasters, &c., Shovels, Spades, Forks, Hay and Straw Knives, Axes, Hatchets, Hammers, Saws and Planes, Cut, wrought and Horse Shoe Nails, Cut Tacks, pat. Brads and Spangles, Rim, Cottage, Mortise and Stock Locks, Closet, Cupboard, Till, Chest, Trunk and Pad Locks, Mortise Stop, Knob and Thumb Latches, and Bolts, Table, Butt, Parliament, H. L. & Strap Hinges, Palmer's pat. Blind Hinges, to fasten back to and to Farnham's pat. Window Blind fasteners, Common and Axle Sash Pulleys and sash Cord, New England Co. Wood Screws all sizes, Sofa Springs, Bed Screws, Castors and Furniture Knobs, Curtain Bands and Pins, Iron and Brass Hay and Coat Hooks, Single and Double Barrel Guns and Apparatus, Brushes, Combs, Buttons, Needles and Pins, Shoe Thread, Cotton, Worsted, Diaper, Boot and Straining Web, Curry Combs, Horse Cards, Wool Cards, Ox, Trace Halters, Backband and Dog Chains, Brass, Copper and Iron Wire, Round, Flat and Square Iron, Hoop and Band Iron, Nail Rods, Burdens' pat. Horse Shoes, Carriage Springs, Wagon Boxes, American and English Blister, Cast and Sheer Steel, &c., &c. All of which, he will sell as low as can be had at any regular Hardware House in the city. Washington, Nov. 4, 1845.

COMBS, BRUSHES, AND PERFUMERY.—We have just returned from the North with an extensive assortment of the above-named articles, and are now ready to supply our customers with the best and freshest Perfumery, consisting of Pomatums, Ox Marrow, and Oils for beautifying and promoting the growth of the hair; Cold Cream, Lip Salve, Bay Rum, Farina Cologne, Lubin's Extract for the handkerchief, with a great variety of English and French Hair Brushes.

Also, Shell, Buffalo, and Horn dressing, tuck, and side Combs; Nail and Tooth Brushes; a very fine article of Purples, all of which we are determined to sell cheaper than the cheapest.

S. PARKER'S Perfumery and Fancy Store, bet. 9th and 10th streets, Pennsylvania avenue. nov 4-46

GEORGE W. CLARKE, BUILDER, AND GENERAL FURNISHING UNDERTAKER corner of Virginia avenue L and 9th street, near the Navy Yard Gate—or at his residence, on the west side of 11th street, near the eastern Branch bridge.—Thankful for the liberal patronage with which he has already been favored, he respectfully solicits a continuance of the same.

Always on hand, ready for use, Pine, Cherry, Walnut, Poplar, and Mahogany, which he manufactures into Coffins at the shortest notice, and on the most reasonable terms.

Hearse and carriages furnished at the shortest notice. All orders thankfully received and promptly attended to at all hours, if left at the above place.

N. B.—Carpenters work in all its branches done on the most reasonable terms, and at the shortest notice.

Old Furniture repaired and varnished, and made look equal to new. dec 18-46

LOOK THIS WAY EVERY BODY: Painting done by the art of Hocus Pocus.

THOMAS HILTON, House, Sign, and Ornamental Painter. Old Chairs repainted, and Furniture varnished. He will be ready for the prompt execution of work at all times, on the most reasonable terms. Shop on 12th street, between G and H streets. march 12-46

CUMBERLAND COAL, from the celebrated mines of the Maryland Mining Company, and of a quality better than any heretofore offered in this market, can be had by the car load, or smaller quantity, at **J. PURDY'S** Coal and Lumber Yard, Centre-market. feb 6-46

MEDICAL NOTICE.
D. R. PHILANDER GOULD offers his professional services to the citizens of Washington. Office on Pennsylvania avenue, opposite Messrs. Brown's Hotel. april 11-3m

New Flour Store.
THE subscriber has taken the warehouse on the north side of water street, opposite Messrs. Read & Son, and intends keeping a supply of all the various grades of flour. He will endeavor to make it the interest of dealers in the article to give him a call, as he is determined to sell at small profits.

LEWIS BROOKS, feb 7-46
Water street, Georgetown.

F. HOWARD'S IMPROVED CHEMICAL Chloride Soap.

THIS SOAP has fully stood the test of experience, and is deservedly more celebrated than any other in use, for rendering the skin smooth and soft, removing chaps, pimples and blemishes; for the preservation of the teeth and gums, and the cure of offensive breath; for cleansing and healing sores and wounds; for preserving and curing cutaneous diseases, particularly in infants; for bleaching muslins and handkerchiefs, and for the removal of grease, paint, tar, &c., from clothing. It is also much esteemed as a Shaving Soap. Prepared only by **THOMAS P. MORGAN, Chemist,** (Successor to F. Howard,) Washington, D. C.

For sale by the Druggists of the District. may 13-46

A Card.
THE undersigned, considering himself duly qualified, offers his services to the citizens of Washington for the drawing of plans and specifications of dwelling or other houses, and also as measurer of builders' work. Charges moderate. He may be consulted between the hours of 9 and 12 o'clock, A. M., at Mr. Purdy's Office, Lumber Yard, 7th street, Market-House square. feb 27-46

JOHN C. HARKNESS.

C. K. MUNCK,
Gun, Locksmith, and Bell-Hanger, D. Between 6th and 7th Streets.

POETRY.

Its words
Are few, but deep and solemn, and they break
Fresh from the fount of feeling.—*Percival.*

THE FISHERMAN.

There lived an honest Fisherman,
I knew him passing well,
Who dwelt hard by a little pond,
Within a little dell.

A grave and quiet man was he,
Who lov'd his hook and rod;
So even ran his line of life,
His neighbors' thought it odd—

For science and for books, he said,
He never had a wish;
No school to him was worth a fig,
Except a school of Fish.

This single-minded Fisherman,
A double calling had:
To tend his flocks in Winter time,
In Summer—fish for shad.

In short, this honest Fisherman,
All other toils forsook;
And though no vagrant man was he,
He lived by hook and crook.

All day that Fisherman would sit,
Upon an ancient log;
And gaze into the water—like
Some sedentary Frog.

A cunning Fisherman was he,
His angles always right;
And when he scratch'd his aged poll,
You'd know he had a bite.

To charm the fish he never spoke,
Although his voice was fine;
He found the most convenient way,
Was just to drop a line.

And many a gudgeon of the pond,
If made to speak to-day,
Would own with grief, this angler had
A mighty taking way.

One day, while fishing on the log,
He mourned his want of luck;
When suddenly he felt a bite,
And jerking, caught—a duck.

Alas! that day the Fisherman,
Had taken too much grog;
And being but a landsman, too,
He could not keep the log.

In vain he strove, with all his might,
And tried to gain the shore;
Down, down he went, to feed the fish
He had often fed before!

MORAL.

The moral of this mournful tale,
To all is plain and clear;
A single drop too much of RUM,
May make a watery bier.

And he who will not sign the Pledge,
And keep the promise fast,
May be, in spite of fate, a stiff
Cold-water-man at last!!

CHOICE READING G.

"If you enlighten the people, do not forget that this is but half the work. Let them be made virtuous and religious, or you leave them more exposed to danger than they were before."

MARY AND ELIZABETH.

OR

THE INFLUENCE OF WOMEN.

A TALE FOR THE LADIES.

BY J. M. WILLIS GEIST.

PART FIRST—MARY AND JAMES.

"Hark! hark! methinks I hear a tone
Of curses mingling now with groans,
That strikes upon the list'ning ear
In notes of woe! Are demons here?
"Back! back! ye hell-hounds!" now he cries,
While mad'ning frenzy fires his eyes,
And with fatigue upon his couch,
Awaits again the fiend's approach!"

Mary Gibson was a lovely girl. I will not attempt a description of her person or her peculiar and attractive charms, for my pen would fail to do her justice. Her disposition and her manners were as amiable as her person and unaffected graces were captivating. She was refined, intelligent, intellectual, and truly pious.

As a daughter, Mary was a perfect model of perfection; as a sister, she was worthy by the imitation of the whole female sex. Being the only daughter of worthy and affectionate parents, she was fondly loved and her every wish gratified. Mary was superlatively happy, as all affectionate daughters ever are when she arose in the morning, from a sleep made refreshing by the pleasing and romantic dreams of youth, and the calmness of a heart unsullied, and a conscience untroubled, the joyous notes of her innocent song mingled in sweet unison with the melodious notes of the early birds of spring; and when she laid down to repose in the snowy arms of Morpheus, a fairy smile of pure delight played around her ruby lips and lingered there like a freed spirit hovering o'er its inanimate clay, long, long after her soul was entranced in the words of dreams!

But with all her charms and graces, Mary was imperfect in one respect—she had one prevailing fault—but that fault was the error of omission, not commission; it arose from thoughtlessness, or rather want of the proper exercise of the high toned faculties with which a kind providence had endowed her. She neither properly understood nor exercised the influence of woman in her true capacity. Like many a silly young girl, she argued that woman had little or no influence over the actions and destinies of the sterner sex! I say argued—because no sensible woman, untainted with affection, can be so blind to the truths of real life as to really believe such a dangerous doctrine; but many commence arguing for the sake of effect until they really convince their better judgment and then practice upon the false principle thus wantonly forced upon the mind.

Thus it was with Mary. She was a practical teetotaler; but refused to sign the Temperance Pledge, because, as she said, she had no influence, and it was therefore unnecessary! Strange and fallacious as this mode of reasoning may appear to the intelligent reader, it is nevertheless very prevalent among a certain class of young ladies. They talk in favour of temperance—attend temperance meetings, and never allow the sparkling wine cup to kiss their pretty pouting lips! but ask them for the influence of their names, and they soon tell us that they have no influence and there is no necessity for them to do that which they already practice. We ask all such to bear with us while we relate a simple and unpolished tale of truth.

When Mary Gibson entered on her twentieth year, in all the loveliness of full blown womanhood, she was in love. Her's was a holy and tender passion—the full and unrestrained out-pourings of a pure confiding heart. The object of her affections was evidently worthy of all that could be bestowed upon him, at the time he won her affections and gained the promise of her hand. Like all young men, however, he was a fallible creature, and surrounded by the temptations of the age—the strongest and most ruinous of which is fashionable, moderate drinking; the modern Apollyon of virtue and joy.

James Willis was a noble and generous hearted young man, and his love for Mary was constant, unbounded and unchanging. He pursued an honorable and lucrative avocation, and the highest of his ambition seemed to be centered in becoming the husband of Mary Gibson!

It was on the same evening on which James learned from his own dear Mary's lips that his affection for her was reciprocated, that he took the first glass. Returning from her side, with a glad heart and a buoyant step, on his homeward way he was met by a number of his gay friends, the companions of his early school-boy days, and they proposed to drop into a neighboring hotel and enjoy a social glass of wine. James, elated with bright hopes of future bliss and happiness, in an evil hour, consented. From that date, I date the downfall of James Willis. That first "innocent glass" paved the way for a second, the second for a third—until he finally became a confirmed moderate drinker. His course did not detract from the respectability of his standing in society, because he was then only indulging in the fashionable usages of society.

Although James still became more and more confirmed in his habits of tipping, there was still one avenue left open by which he could be saved from the fearful doom that awaits the drunkard.

That avenue was the love he cherished for Mary. He loved her too fondly, too devotedly, to deny her any reasonable request. Woman, it may truly be said, has at her command the destiny, for weal or woe, of the man by whom she is truly loved—if she will only exercise her angelic power in a proper manner and in due season. By the magic power of gentle persuasion what can lovely woman not accomplish—what pre-disposition to error and crime will her entreaties not remove! what stain of vice and immorality will the sacred fountain of her tears not wash away! Oh, woman! how perfectly do you understand the moral responsibility that rests upon you! Are you not aware that you possess the power of reclaiming a fallen host from moral degradation?

Mary heard of James' drinking habits—her friends advised her to remonstrate against it before he became confirmed in dissipation. She did so, he told her that he did not drink because he was fond of the beverage, but merely as an innocent social pleasure and to oblige his friends. He said he possessed sufficient moral firmness to govern his actions and restrict an unnatural appetite, should there be any necessary, which he assured her there was not. Mary was apparently satisfied, for she placed the most implicit confidence in her lover and thought it unfair to restrict her James in any of his pleasures of amusement. Such is woman's love—such her lenient disposition!

To be continued.